What is claimed is:

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A forgery-preventive identification medium comprising:

a substrate containing identification elements, and

a magnetic layer for magnetic signal recording, formed

5 at the predetermined portion of the substrate, wherein the magnetic layer contains at least a MnBi magnetic powder.

2. A forgery-preventive identification medium according to Claim 1, wherein the substrate is a paper or a plastic.

- 3. A forgery-preventive identification medium according to Claim 1, wherein the identification elements are metal fibers, metal-covered synthetic fibers, metal-covered glass fibers, or colored fibers.
- 4. A forgery-preventive identification medium according to Claim 1, wherein the MnBi powder has particle diameters of 0.1 to 30 $\mu m\,.$
- 5. A method for ascertaining the genuineness of a forgery-preventive identification medium of Claim 1 comprising the steps of:
- 20 reading its identification information constituted by the identification elements.

recording the information in the MnBi containing magnetic layer as an inerasable recorded information,

reading the identification information and the
inerasable recorded information both of the forgerypreventive identification medium, and

comparing the two informations.

6. A method for ascertaining the genuineness of a forgerypreventive identification medium according to Claim 5, wherein a demagnetization operation is conducted prior to reading and comparing the two information.